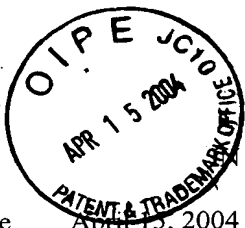


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 PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date April 15, 2004

In re the Application of

Shougo SATO

Group Art Unit: 2854

Application No.: 09/879,000

Examiner: W. Hamdan

Filed: June 13, 2001

Docket No.: 109790

For: TANDEM TYPE COLOR IMAGE FORMING DEVICE HAVING A PLURALITY OF
PROCESS CARTRIDGES ARRAYED IN RUNNING DIRECTION OF INTERMEDIATE
IMAGE TRANSFER MEMBER

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 9, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 3 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 153160 in the amount of \$950 in payment for:

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